

EXHIBIT D

Milberg Weiss Bershad & Schulman LLP

THE FIRM'S PRACTICE, ACHIEVEMENTS AND ATTORNEYS' BIOGRAPHIES

Milberg Weiss Bershad & Schulman LLP is a 110-lawyer firm with main headquarters in New York City and other offices nationwide, including Boca Raton, FL, Wilmington, DE, Washington, D.C., Seattle, WA and Los Angeles, CA. The firm that Melvyn I. Weiss and Lawrence Milberg founded in 1965 will celebrate its 40th anniversary next year. The firm has been actively engaged in commercial litigation, emphasizing securities, consumer, insurance, healthcare, corporate, human rights, employment discrimination and antitrust class actions.

The firm's reputation for excellence has been recognized on repeated occasions by courts that have appointed it to major positions in complex multi-district or consolidated litigations. Milberg Weiss has successfully prosecuted thousands of class action lawsuits, has taken a lead role in numerous complex litigations on behalf of defrauded investors, consumers and companies, as well as victims of World War II human rights violations, and has been responsible for more than \$45 billion in recoveries. For more information, please visit www.milbergweiss.com

JUDICIAL COMMENDATIONS

Milberg Weiss has been commended by countless judges all over the country for the quality of its representation in class action lawsuits. In ***Rite Aid***, Judge Dalzell commented on the skill and efficiency of Milberg Weiss attorneys in litigating the complex case:

At the risk of belaboring the obvious, we pause to say a specific word about... the skill and efficiency of the attorneys involved...Milberg Weiss [was] extraordinarily deft and efficient in handling this most complex matter... they were at least eighteen months ahead of the United States Department of Justice in ferreting out the conduct that ultimately resulted in the write-down of over \$1.6 billion in previously reported Rite Aid earnings... In short, it would be hard to equal the skills class counsel demonstrated here.

See ***In re Rite Aid Corp. Sec. Litig.***, 269 F. Supp. 2d 603, 611 (E.D. Pa. 2003)

In ***In re Lucent Technologies, Inc. Securities Litigation***, Judge Joel A. Pisano of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey Recently (February 24, 2004) filed an Opinion approving the Settlement of the In re Lucent Technologies, Inc. Securities Litigation Case No. 00 CV-621, in which he complimented Milberg Weiss (Co-Lead Counsel for the Plaintiff Class) saying:

"the attorneys representing the Plaintiffs are highly experienced in securities class action litigation and have successfully prosecuted numerous class actions throughout the United States. They are more than competent to conduct this action. Co-Lead Counsel diligently and aggressively represented Plaintiffs before this Court and in the negotiations that resulted in the Settlement." Judge Pisano further stated: "the efforts and ingenuity of Lead Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel resulted in an extremely valuable Settlement for the Benefit of the Class."

See ***In re Lucent Techs, Inc. Sec. Litig.***, No. 00 CV-621, slip op. at 14-15, 26 (D.N.J. Feb. 24, 2004)

In ***Buspirone***, Judge Koeltl commentated on plaintiffs' counsel:

Let me say that the lawyers in this case have done a stupendous job.

See *In re Buspirone Patent Litig.*, final approval hearing transcript dated Nov. 6, 2003, at 34:2-3.

In *Christie's*, Judge Kaplan commented on class counsel's representation:

I have satisfied myself in examining these papers that counsel involved in this case pursued this very difficult matter tenaciously, with skill, and got what I view to be an excellent result.

See *Kruman v. Christie's Int'l, PLC*, Final Approval Hearing Transcript dated June 2, 2003, at 36:13-16.

In *Transamerica*, Judge Danielson made it a point to comment on the professionalism of Milberg Weiss:

It would be hard to imagine what question I could come up with that I haven't already seen the information that I needed in the submissions that have been made to this Court. I can't remember anything so thoroughly and professionally handled in the 20-some odd years that I've been involved in the law. It is interesting to see law practiced honorably. And I think all of the lawyers who have involved themselves in this case can be very proud of their profession.

See *Gordon v. Transamerica Occidental Life Ins. Co.*, Hearing Transcript dated June 26, 1997, at 39:3-12.

In *Prudential*, in approving the settlement of a nationwide class action against a life insurer for deceptive sales practices, Judge Wolin observed:

[T]he results achieved by plaintiffs' counsel in this case in the face of significant legal, factual and logistical obstacles and formidable opposing counsel, are nothing short of remarkable.

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Finally, the standing and professional skill of plaintiffs' counsel, in particular Co-Lead Counsel, is high and undoubtedly furthered their ability to negotiate a valuable settlement and argue its merits before this Court. Several members of plaintiffs' counsel are leading attorneys in the area of class action litigation.

In re Prudential Ins. Co. of Am. Sales Practices Litig., 962 F. Supp. 572, 585-86 (D.N.J. 1997), vacated on other grounds. Milberg Weiss Bershad & Schulman LLP was co-lead counsel in this litigation. At the Fairness Hearing in *Prudential*, Judge Wolin stated that "there is no doubt that Class Counsel have prosecuted the interests of the class members with the utmost vigor and expertise." *In re The Prudential Ins. Co. of Am. Sales Practices Litig.*, 962 F. Supp. 450, 519 (D.N.J. 1997) (emphasis added).

In *In re NASDAQ Market-Makers Antitrust Litig.*, 187 F.R.D. 465, 474 (S.D.N.Y. 1998), in an opinion dated November 9, 1998, approving settlements totaling over \$1.027 billion, Judge Sweet commented:

Counsel for the Plaintiffs [Milberg Weiss] are preeminent in the field of class action litigation, and the roster of counsel for Defendants includes some of the largest, most successful and well regarded law firms in the country. It is difficult to conceive of better representation than the parties in this action achieved.

In approving a \$100 million settlement in *In re Prudential Securities Inc. Partnership Litigation*, 912 F. Supp. 97, 101 (S.D.N.Y. 1996), for which Milberg Weiss was one of the lead counsel, Judge Pollack noted that he had "had the opportunity at first hand to observe the quality of plaintiffs' class counsel's representation, both here and in prior complex litigation, and is impressed with the quality of Plaintiffs' Class Counsel."

In his opinion on class certification, Judge Chesler noted:

The firm of Milberg Weiss Bershad & Schulman LLP, which is co-lead counsel for the plaintiff, was also counsel for the plaintiff class in the *Prudential* case. Thus, the adequacy of the plaintiff's representation is beyond reproach. Furthermore, the tremendous and unprecedented settlements which the Milberg firm has helped to secure for the plaintiff classes in both this case and the *Prudential* case are a testament to counsel's vigorous pursuit of the class interests.

See *Roy v. The Independent Order of Foresters*, Civ. No. 97-6225 (SRC) (D.N.J. August 3, 1999), at 32.

At the Settlement Hearing in the *Chipcom* litigation, for which Milberg Weiss was counsel, Judge Woodlock remarked:

[I]t seems to me that the level of legal services, the quality of legal services, the attention to the case on behalf of the plaintiffs, and ultimately plaintiffs' class, was really very high quality and ought to be recognized by an appropriately high percentage figure here.

Of course, I disagree on the merits of the case. That is not, however, to say that I disagree with the quality of the lawyering or disregarded the quality of the lawyering or thought that the quality of the lawyering was not at the highest level. To the contrary, I thought it was at the highest level and that ought also to be reflected here.

See *Nappo v. Chipcom Corp.*, CA-95-11114-WD (D. Mass.) Settlement Hearing Transcript dated June 26, 1997, at 13-14.

NOTEWORTHY CLIENTS

In addition to countless individual investors, funds and institutions represented by Milberg Weiss include:

- The City of Birmingham (Ala.) Retirement & Relief Fund. Milberg Weiss is representing the City of Birmingham, Lead Plaintiff in an ongoing federal securities class action against Mattel Corporation.
- SEIU Local 144 Nursing Home Pension Fund and Hotel Front Insurance Fund. Milberg Weiss is representing these combined funds in several securities class actions, including actions against Procter & Gamble Company, The Honeywell Corporation, and Microstrategy, Inc. Procter and Gamble recently settled for \$48 million and MicroStrategy recently settled for \$155 million.
- The Dotcom Fund. Milberg Weiss is representing the Dotcom Fund, the Lead Plaintiff in a federal securities class action, against VantageMedCorporation, for selling millions of dollars worth of securities pursuant to a false Registration Statement and Prospectus.
- The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Milberg Weiss represented the FDIC in claims arising out of the failure of the Butcher brothers' Tennessee banking empire. The case ultimately settled for \$425 million after a full jury trial as part of a massive global settlement among the FDIC, RTC and Ernst & Whinney.
- The New England Health Care Employees Pension Fund. Milberg Weiss is representing the New England Health Care Employees Pension Fund, the Lead Plaintiff in a securities fraud action against Fruit of the Loom involving accounting fraud and over \$70 million worth of insider trading. The firm is also representing the New England Health Care Employees Pension Fund as Lead Plaintiff in a securities fraud action against Newell Rubbermaid, Inc.
- The West Virginia Employer - Teamsters Joint Counsel No. 84 Pension Trust and Locals 175 and 505 Pension Trust. Milberg Weiss has recently represented these Taft-Hartley pension funds as Lead Plaintiff in a several pending securities fraud class actions, including actions against The Clorox Company, America West Holdings Corp. and Lucent Technologies Corp.
- Amalgamated Bank (Longview Fund). Milberg Weiss was recently retained by the Amalgamated Bank to monitor the assets of the Longview Fund and advise and represent the Fund on fraud and corporate governance matters. The Longview Fund is a \$4 billion fund invested substantially in U.S. equities and debt instruments.
- ILGWU National Retirement Fund, UNITE Staff Retirement Plan, ILGWU Unit-Eastern States Health & Welfare Fund, ILGWU Death Benefit Fund, ILGWU Escrow Fund and UNITE General Fund. Milberg Weiss is currently monitoring the assets of these six Taft-Hartley pension funds as well as advising them on litigation matters on a case-by-case basis.
- The State of New Jersey Pension Fund. Milberg Weiss was competitively selected by the Treasurer of the State of New Jersey to represent the state's \$86 billion pension fund in its securities litigation against Sears Roebuck & Co. New Jersey was recently appointed lead plaintiff and Milberg Weiss lead counsel, after hard-fought motion practice.
- California Public Employees Retirement System. Milberg Weiss has been selected by CalPERS, the nation's largest public investment fund with over \$175 billion in assets under management, to serve as outside counsel for securities class action and derivative litigation.
- The New York State and Local Retirement System. Milberg Weiss was selected by former New York State Comptroller H. Carl McCall and current comptroller Alex G. Hevesi to serve as one of three firms acting as special counsel for securities class action and derivative litigation. Milberg Weiss is currently representing the N.Y. State Common Retirement Fund in substantial securities fraud actions against Bayer AG, the Raytheon Corp. and Chubb.
- The cities of San Francisco, Los Angeles, Birmingham (Ala.), and 14 counties in California in connection with claims filed against big tobacco companies for conspiracy to hide the truth regarding the damages related to smoking. In connection with this litigation, Milberg Weiss has also worked closely with the attorneys general of several states, including the State of California.

- The firm represented IBM Corporation with Cravath, Swaine & Moore in class and derivative suits asserted against IBM in New York courts. The derivative litigation has been dismissed and the class litigation was defeated on a motion for summary judgment, thereafter sustained on appeal.
- Milberg Weiss was appointed co-lead counsel to represent institutions and individual purchasers of Oxford Health Plans, Inc. common stock in pursuit of securities fraud actions against the company and certain of its officers and directors. Judge Brieant's decision to appoint as co-lead plaintiffs two institutions and three individual investors, the latter represented by Milberg Weiss, reflected in substantial part the interpretation of the relevant provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (PSLRA) advanced by this firm. This matter recently settled in excess of \$300 million.
- In addition, the firm has represented individuals, governmental entities and major corporations including CBS Corporation; T.V. Azteca, Mexico's second largest television network; Phar-Mor, Inc., formerly a nationwide discount pharmacy chain, and others in complex financial litigation.

PROMINENT CASES

• ***In re NASDAQ Market-Makers Antitrust Litig.***, MDL 1023 (S.D.N.Y.). Milberg Weiss served as court-appointed co-lead counsel for a class of investors. The class alleged that the NASDAQ market-makers set and maintained wide spreads pursuant to an industry-wide conspiracy in one of the largest and most important antitrust cases in recent history. After three and one half years of intense litigation, the case was settled for a total of \$1.027 billion, the largest antitrust settlement ever. An excerpt from the court's opinion reads:

Counsel for the Plaintiffs are preeminent in the field of class action litigation, and the roster of counsel for the Defendants includes some of the largest, most successful and well regarded law firms in the country. It is difficult to conceive of better representation than the parties to this action achieved.

• ***In re Initial Public Offering Securities Litig.***, No. 21 MC 92 (SAS). This litigation consists of 309 class actions involving over 300 IPOs marketed between 1998 and 2000. A proposed settlement between the issuer defendants, their directors and officers will guarantee at least \$1 billion dollars to class members from the insurers of the issuers.

• ***In re Lucent Technologies Inc. Securities Litig.***, No. 00cv621(AJL). The second largest securities settlement in history provides record compensation of \$600 million to aggrieved shareholders who purchased Lucent stock between October 1999 and December 2000.

• ***In re American Continental Corp./Lincoln Savings & Loan Sec. Litig.***, MDL 834 (D. Ariz.). Milberg Weiss served as the court-appointed co-lead counsel for a class of persons who purchased debentures and/or stock in American Continental Corp., the parent company of the now-infamous Lincoln Savings & Loan. The suit charged Charles Keating, other insiders, three major

accounting firms, three major law firms, Drexel Burnham, Michael Milken and others with racketeering and violations of securities laws. Recoveries totaled \$240 million on \$288 million in losses. A jury also rendered verdicts of more than \$1 billion against Keating and others.

• ***Mangini v. RJ Reynolds Tobacco Co., Cal. 4th 1057 (1994)***, in this case R.J. Reynolds admitted "the Mangini action, and the way that it was vigorously litigated, was an early, significant and unique driver of the overall legal and social controversy regarding underage smoking that led to the decision to phase out the Joe Camel Campaign."

• ***In re Airline Ticket Comm'n Antitrust Litig.***, MDL 1058 (D. Minn.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead trial counsel on behalf of a class of travel agents alleging that nine major airlines conspired to fix their commission rates. Just prior to trial in September 1996, the case was settled for a total of \$86 million.

• ***Cordova v. Liggett Group, Inc., et al.***, No. 651824 (CA Super. Ct., San Diego County) and ***People v. Philip Morris, Inc., et al.***, No. 980864 (CA Superior Court, San Francisco County), Milberg Weiss, a lead counsel in both these actions, played a key role in these cases which were settled with the attorneys general global agreement with the tobacco industry bringing \$26 billion to the State of California as a whole and \$12.5 billion to the cities and counties within California.

• ***In re Exxon Valdez***, No. A89-095 Civ. (D. Alaska) and ***In re Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Litig.***, 3 AN-89-2533 (Alaska Superior Court, Third Judicial Dist.). Milberg Weiss is a member of the Plaintiffs' Coordinating Committee and co-chair of Plaintiffs' Law Committee in the massive litigation resulting from the Exxon Valdez oil

oil spill in Alaska in March 1989. A jury verdict of \$5 billion was obtained and is currently on appeal.

- ***In re Washington Public Power Supply Sys. Sec. Litig.***, MDL 551 (D. Ariz.). A massive litigation in which Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel for a class that obtained settlements totaling \$775 million after several months of trial.

- ***In re Baldwin United Annuity Litig.***, No. M-21-35 (S.D.N.Y.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this consolidated proceeding on behalf of purchasers of annuities that was settled for over \$160 million.

- ***Hall v. NCAA*** (Restricted Earnings Coach Antitrust Litigation), No. 94-2392-KHV (D. Kan.). The firm was lead counsel and lead trial counsel for one of three classes of coaches in consolidated price-fixing actions against the National Collegiate Athletic Association. On May 4, 1998, the jury returned verdicts in favor of the three classes for more than \$67 million.

- ***Newman v. Stringfellow*** (Stringfellow Dump Site Litigation), No. 165994 MF (Superior Court Riverside County). Milberg Weiss represented more than 4,000 individuals suing for personal injury and property damage arising from their claims that contact with the Stringfellow Dump Site may have caused them toxic poisoning. Settlements totaled approximately \$109 million.

- ***City of San Jose v. PaineWebber***, No. C- 84-20601(RFP) (N.D. Cal.). Milberg Weiss filed a lawsuit on behalf of the City of San Jose to recover speculative trading losses from its former auditors and 13 brokerage firms. In June 1990, following a six-month trial, the jury returned a verdict for the City, awarding over \$18 million in damages plus pre-judgment interest. The City also recovered an additional \$12 million in settlements prior to and during the trial.

- ***Hicks v. Nationwide***, Case No. 602469 (Superior Court San Diego County). Milberg Weiss represented a class of consumers alleging fraud involving military purchasers of life insurance, in which a jury trial resulted in a full recovery for the class, plus punitive damages.

- ***In re Aetna Inc. Sec. Litig.***, MDL No. 1219 (E.D. Pa.). Milberg Weiss served as a co-lead counsel and obtained a pretrial settlement of \$82.5 million in this securities fraud class action.

- ***In re Nat'l Health Laboratories Sec. Litig.***, No. CV-92-1949-RBB (S.D. Cal.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel and obtained a pretrial settlement of \$64 million in this securities fraud class action.

- ***In re Apple Computer Sec. Litig.***, No. C-84-20148(A)-JW (N.D. Cal.). Milberg Weiss served as lead counsel and after several years of litigation obtained a

\$100 million jury verdict in this securities fraud class action. The \$100 million jury verdict was later upset on post-trial motions, but the case was settled favorably to the class.

- ***In re Nat'l Med. Enter. Sec. Litig.***, No. CV-91-5452-TJH (C.D. Cal.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel and recovered \$60.75 million in this securities fraud class action.

- ***FDIC v. Ernst & Whinney*** (E.D. Tenn.). Milberg Weiss represented the FDIC (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation) which sought to recover \$275 million of losses arising out of the failure of the Butcher brothers Tennessee banking empire. The case settled after a full trial as part of a massive "global" settlement between the FDIC and Ernst & Whinney.

- ***In re Nucorp Energy Sec. Litig.***, MDL 514 (S.D. Cal.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this consolidated class action and obtained settlements totaling \$55 million.

- ***In re U.S. Fin. Sec. Litig.***, MDL 161 (S.D. Cal.). Milberg Weiss acted as chairman of the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee and achieved a pretrial settlement of over \$50 million.

- ***In re LILCO Sec. Litig.***, No. 84 Civ. 0588 (LDW) (E.D.N.Y.). Milberg Weiss served as lead counsel and recovered \$48.5 million for shareholders on the eve of the trial.

- ***Barr v. United Methodist Church***, Case No. 404611 (Superior Court San Diego County). Milberg Weiss served as lead and trial counsel in this class action on behalf of elderly persons who lost their life savings when a church-sponsored retirement home that had sold them prepaid life-care contracts went bankrupt. After four years of intensive litigation – three trips to the United States Supreme Court and five months of trial – plaintiffs obtained a settlement providing over \$40 million in benefit to the class members. In approving that settlement, Judge James Foucht praised the result as "a most extraordinary accomplishment" and noted that it was the "product of the skill, effort and determination of plaintiffs' counsel."

- ***Grobow v. Dingman*** (The Henley Litigation), Case No. 575076 (Superior Court San Diego County). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel and obtained \$42 million derivatively on behalf of The Henley Group, Inc.

- ***In re Intel Sec. Litig.***, No. C-79-2168A-RPA (N.D. Cal.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this securities class action that was settled for \$40 million.

- ***In re Fin. Corp. of America***, No. CV-84-6050-TJH(Bx) (C.D. Cal.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel and obtained a settlement of \$41 million.

- ***In re Oak Indus. Sec. Litig.***, No. 83-0537-G(M) (S.D. Cal.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this case and obtained a settlement for \$33 million.
- ***In re Wickes Cos. Sec. Litig.***, MDL 513 (S.D. Cal.). Milberg Weiss served as liaison counsel in this consolidated securities law class action that was settled for \$32 million.
- ***Kaplan v. Chase Manhattan Corp.***, No. 9611-85 (N.Y. Sup. Ct.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this derivative case where the firm obtained \$32.5 million for the plaintiffs.
- ***In re Pepsico Sec. Litig.***, No. 82 Civ. 8403(ADS) (S.D.N.Y.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this case and obtained a pretrial settlement of \$21.5 million.
- ***In re Northwest Indus. Sec. Litig.***, Nos. 82-C0658 & 82-C1599 (N.D. Ill.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this case and obtained an \$18 million jury verdict.
- ***Weinberger v. Shumway*** (The Signal Companies, Inc.), Case No. 547586 (Superior Court San Diego County). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this derivative litigation challenging executive “golden parachute” contracts, and obtained a settlement of approximately \$23 million.
- ***In re Warner Communications Sec. Litig.***, No. 82 Civ. 8288(JFK) (S.D.N.Y.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this case and obtained a settlement of \$18 million.
- ***Rosenfeld v. Leach***, Case No. 257916 (Superior Court San Mateo County). Milberg Weiss served as lead counsel in this case challenging an attempt to “go private.” The case settled just before trial for \$18 million.
- ***In re Viatron Computer Sys. Corp. Litig.***, MDL 138-T (D. Mass.). Milberg Weiss served as lead and trial counsel in this case. A jury verdict was returned establishing the liability of a “Big Eight” accounting firm and aggregate settlements totaled over \$15 million.
- ***In re Seafirst Sec. Litig.***, No. C-83-771-R (W.D. Wash.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this class action and obtained a pretrial settlement of \$13.6 million.
- ***In re Waste Mgmt. Sec. Litig.***, No. 83-C2167 (N.D. Ill.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this case and obtained a pretrial settlement of \$11.5 million.
- ***In re Informix Corp. Sec. Litig.***, No. C-97-1289-CRB (N.D. Cal.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this case and obtained a pretrial settlement of \$142 million.
- ***In re IDB Communications Group, Inc. Sec. Litig.***, No. CV-94-3618 (C.D. Cal.). Milberg Weiss served as co-lead counsel in this case and obtained a pretrial settlement of \$75 million.
- The firm was lead counsel in ***In re The Prudential Ins. Co. Sales Practice Litig.*** Civ. No. 95-4707 (AMW) (D.N.J.), a landmark case which contained securities claims as well as common law claims, and which recently settled under an innovative structure that will result in the payment of over \$1 billion to Prudential policyholders. The total recovery exceeds \$4 billion. Milberg Weiss has led the litigation of numerous other class actions involving alleged churning practices by other insurance companies and their agents, recovering billions of dollars in the past few years. The settlement was approved in an extensive, comprehensive decision handed down by the Third Circuit. 148 F.3d 283 (3d Cir. 1998), *cert. denied*, 525 U.S. 1114 (1999).

PRECEDENT-SETTING DECISIONS

Milberg Weiss has consistently been a leader in developing the law for investors under the federal securities laws. Since January 1994, the firm has represented individual and institutional plaintiffs in well over 500 class action securities litigations including many under the PSLRA. In most of those cases, Milberg Weiss has served as lead or co-lead counsel. The firm has also been responsible for establishing many important precedents, including:

- ***Novak v. Kasaks***, 216 F.3d 300 (2d Cir. 2000). The firm was lead counsel in this seminal securities fraud

case in which the Second Circuit undertook an extensive analysis of the statutory text and the legislative history of the PSLRA and pre-existing Second Circuit case law. Among other things, the Second Circuit held that the PSLRA’s pleading standard for scienter was largely equivalent to the pre-existing Second Circuit standard and vacated the district court’s dismissal which sought to impose a higher standard for pleading scienter under the PSLRA. The Second Circuit also rejected any general requirement that plaintiffs’ confidential sources

must be disclosed to satisfy the PSLRA's newly-enacted particularity requirements.

- ***In re Salomon Inc. Shareholders Derivative Litig.*** 68 F.3d 554 (2d Cir. 1995), in which the Second Circuit affirmed the district court's holding that derivative federal securities claims against defendants would not be referred to arbitration pursuant to the arbitration provisions of the Rules of the New York Stock Exchange, but would be tried in district court. Shortly thereafter, the case settled for \$40 million; among the largest cash recoveries ever recorded in a derivative action.

- ***In re Advanta Corp. Securities Litig.***, 180 F.3d 525 (3d Cir. 1999), the firm successfully argued that, under the PSLRA, the requisite scienter is pled by making an adequate showing that the defendants acted knowingly or with reckless disregard for the consequences of their actions. As urged by this firm, the Third Circuit specifically adopted the Second Circuit's scienter pleading standard for pleading fraud under the PSLRA.

- In ***Berry v. Valence Tech., Inc.***, [1999 Transfer Binder] Fed. Sec. L. Rep. (CCH) ¶ 90,466 (9th Cir. Apr. 29, 1999), the Ninth Circuit held that negative articles in the financial press do not cause the one-year "inquiry notice" statute of limitations to run, and indicated possible acceptance of an "actual knowledge" standard that would greatly extend the statute of limitations for victims of securities fraud.

- In ***Shaw v. Digital Equip. Corp., et al.***, 82 F.3d 1194 (1st Cir. 1996), the First Circuit remanded plaintiffs' action after affirming, in part, Milberg Weiss' position that in association with the filing of a prospectus related to the issuance of securities, a corporate-issuer must disclose intra-quarter, materially adverse changes in its business, if such adverse changes constitute "material changes" the disclosure of which is required pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933.

- ***In re Carter-Wallace, Inc., Sec. Litig.***, 150 F.3d 153 (2d Cir. 1998), in which plaintiffs' securities complaint was upheld in substantial part, the Court ruled that advertisements made by a drug company are not, as a matter of law, precluded from being made "in connection with" a securities transaction as required by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

- In ***Hunt v. Alliance North American Government Income Trust***, 159 F.3d 723 (2d Cir. 1998), the Second Circuit reversed the district court's ruling, which denied plaintiffs a cause of action against defendants for failing to disclose that the Trust was unable to utilize proper "hedging" techniques to insure against risk of loss. In the Court's view, taken together and in context, the Trust's representations would have misled a reasonable investor.

- ***Kamen v. Kemper Fin. Serv.***, 500 U.S. 90 (1991). The Supreme Court upheld the right of a stockholder of a mutual fund to bring a derivative suit without first making a pre-suit demand.

- ***Diamond Multimedia Sys., Inc. v. Superior Court (Pass)***, 19 Cal. 4th 1036 (1999). The California Supreme Court held that the broad anti-manipulation provisions of the California state securities laws provide a remedy for out-of-state investors who are damaged by manipulative acts committed by defendants in California.

- ***Mangini v. R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.***, 7 Cal. 4th 1057, cert. denied, 513 U.S. 1016 (1994). The California Supreme Court upheld allegations that a cigarette manufacturer committed an unlawful business practice by targeting minors with its advertising, rejecting the manufacturer's contention that such an action was preempted by health-based federal cigarette labeling laws.

- ***Gohler v. Wood***, 919 P.2d 561 (Utah 1996). The Utah Supreme Court held that investors need not plead or prove "reliance" on false or misleading statements to state a claim under a state law prohibiting misleading statements in connection with the sale of a security.

- ***Cooper v. Pickett***, 137 F.3d 616 (9th Cir. 1998). Cooper is the leading Ninth Circuit precedent on pleading accounting fraud with particularity. The court held that plaintiffs stated claims against a company, its independent auditors, and underwriters for allegedly engaging in a scheme to defraud involving improper revenue recognition.

- ***McGann v. Ernst & Young***, 102 F.3d 390 (9th Cir. 1996), cert. denied, 520 U.S. 1181 (1997). McGann is a leading federal appellate precedent interpreting Securities Exchange Act §10(b)'s provision prohibiting manipulative or deceptive conduct "in connection with" the purchase or sale of a security. The Court rejected contentions that auditors could not be liable if they participated in no securities transactions. Rather an accounting firm is subject to liability if it prepares a fraudulent audit report that it knows its client will include the report in an SEC filing.

- ***Provenz v. Miller***, 102 F.3d 1478 (9th Cir. 1996), cert. denied, 118 S. Ct. 48 (1997). In Provenz the Ninth Circuit reversed a district court's entry of summary judgment for defendants in an accounting-fraud case. The case is a leading federal appellate precedent on the evidence required to prove fraudulent revenue recognition.

- ***Knapp v. Ernst & Whinney***, 90 F.3d 1431 (9th Cir. 1996). The Ninth Circuit affirmed a jury verdict entered for stock purchasers against a major accounting firm.

- **Warshaw v. Xoma Corp.**, 74 F.3d 955 (9th Cir. 1996). Warshaw is a leading federal appellate precedent on pleading falsity in securities class actions – sustaining allegations that a pharmaceutical company misled securities analysts and investors regarding the efficacy of a new drug and the likelihood of FDA approval. The court holds that a company may be liable to investors if it misled securities analysts.
- **Fecht v. Price Co.**, 70 F.3d 1078 (9th Cir. 1995), cert. denied, 517 U.S. 1136 (1996). Fecht is another leading precedent on pleading falsity with particularity. It sustained allegations that a retail chain's positive portrayal of its expansion program was misleading in light of undisclosed problems that caused the program to be curtailed. The Ninth Circuit held that investors may draw on contemporaneous conditions – such as disappointing results and losses in new stores – to explain why a company's optimistic statements were false and misleading.
- **In re Software Toolworks Sec. Litig.**, 50 F.3d 615 (9th Cir. 1995). In Software Toolworks, the Ninth Circuit reversed the summary judgment entered for defendants, including a company and top insiders, its independent auditors, and underwriters. Among other things, the court held that defendants could be liable for their role in drafting a misleading letter sent to the SEC on a corporate defendant's attorney's letterhead.
- **Kaplan v. Rose**, 49 F.3d 1363 (9th Cir. 1994), cert. denied, 516 U.S. 810 (1995). The court reversed entry of summary judgment for defendants because plaintiff investors presented sufficient evidence for a jury to hold that a medical device did not work as well as defendants claimed.
- **In re Wells Fargo Sec. Litig.**, 12 F.3d 922 (9th Cir. 1993), cert. denied, 513 U.S. 917 (1994). Wells Fargo is a leading federal appellate decision on pleading accounting fraud, sustaining investors' allegations that a bank misrepresented the adequacy of its loan-loss reserves.
- **In re Apple Computer Sec. Litig.**, 886 F.2d 1109 (9th Cir. 1989), cert. denied, 496 U.S. 943 (1990). The Ninth Circuit held that investors could proceed to trial on claims that a company's representations about its new disk drive were misleading because they failed to disclose serious technical problems.
- **Goldman v. Belden**, 754 F.2d 1059 (2d Cir. 1985). The Second Circuit reversed the district court's dismissal of a securities fraud complaint, in an important opinion clarifying the "fraud" pleading requirements of Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 9(b).
- **Cowin v. Bresler**, 741 F.2d 410 (D.C. Cir. 1984). The Court of Appeals reversed the lower court's dismissal of the complaint. The firm had sought the extraordinary remedy of the appointment of a receiver over the affairs of a public company due to the highly specific allegations of fraud, dishonesty and gross mismanagement of the corporation's controlling shareholders.
- **Mosesian v. Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co.**, 727 F.2d 873 (9th Cir.), cert. denied, 469 U.S. 932 (1984). The Ninth Circuit upheld an investor's right to pursue a class action against an accounting firm, adopting statute of limitation rules for §10(b) suits that are favorable to investors.
- **Hasan v. CleveTrust Realty Investors**, 729 F.2d 372 (6th Cir. 1984). The Court of Appeals very strictly construed, and thus narrowed, the ability of a "special litigation committee" of the board of a public company to terminate a derivative action brought by a shareholder.
- **Fox v. Reich & Tang, Inc.**, 692 F.2d 250 (2d Cir. 1982), *aff'd sub nom, Daily Income Fund, Inc. v. Fox*, 464 U.S. 523 (1984). The court held that a derivative action to recover excessive advisory fees may be brought on behalf of an investment company without any prior demand on the board.
- **Rifkin v. Crow**, 574 F.2d 256 (5th Cir. 1978). The Fifth Circuit reversed an order granting summary judgment for defendants in a §10(b) case, paving the way for future acceptance of the "fraud-on-the-market" rationale in the Fifth Circuit.
- **Heit v. Weitzen**, 402 F.2d 909 (2d Cir. 1968), rev'g, 260 F. Supp. 598 (S.D.N.Y. 1966). The court held that liability under §10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act extends to defendants who were not in privity with the named plaintiffs or the class represented by the named plaintiffs.
- **Blackie v. Barrack**, 524 F.2d 891 (9th Cir. 1975), cert. denied, 429 U.S. 816 (1976). This is the seminal appellate decision on the use of the "fraud-on-the-market" theory, allowing investors who purchase stock at artificially inflated prices to recover even if they were personally unaware of the false and misleading statements reflected in the stock's price. The court stated that class actions are necessary to protect the rights of defrauded purchasers of securities.
- **In re NASDAQ Market-Makers Antitrust Litig.**, 169 F.R.D. 493 (S.D.N.Y. 1996). The court certified a class of millions of investors over defendants' strenuous objections.
- **Bershad v. McDonough**, 300 F. Supp. 1051 (N.D. Ill. 1969), *aff'd*, 428 F.2d 693 (7th Cir. 1970). The plaintiff obtained summary judgment for a violation of §16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act in which the transaction was structured by the defendants to look like a lawful option. The decision has been cited frequently in discussions as to the scope and purpose of §16(b).
- **Lazar v. Hertz Corp.**, 143 Cal. App. 3d 128 (1983). The Court of Appeal ordered a consumer class certified

in an opinion that significantly broadens the right of injured consumers to bring class actions.

- ***Barr v. United Methodist Church***, 90 Cal. App. 3d 259, *cert. denied*, 444 U.S. 973 (1979). The Court of

Appeal rejected constitutional defenses to an action for civil fraud and breach of contract by religiously affiliated defendants.

ADDITIONALLY, IN THE CONTEXT OF SHAREHOLDER DERIVATIVE ACTIONS, Milberg Weiss has been at the forefront of protecting shareholders' investments by causing important changes in corporate governance as part of the global settlement of such cases. Three recent cases in which such changes were made include:

- ***In re Marketspan Corporate Shareholder Litig.***, CV No. 98-15884 (N.Y. Sup. Ct.) (settlement agreement required modifications of corporate governance structure, changes to the audit committee and changes in compensation awards and the nominating committee);
- ***Teachers' Retirement Sys. of Louisiana v. Occidental Petroleum Corp.***, CV No. BC185009 (Ca. Sup. Ct. 1998) (as part of the settlement, corporate governance changes were made to the composition of the company's Board of Directors, the company's Nominating Committee, Compensation Committee and Audit Committee); and
- ***Abramsky, et al., v. Computer Sciences Corp.***, CV No. 98-00306-JBR(RLH) (D. Nev. 1998) (significant changes to the company's by-laws and governance procedures to enhance shareholder voting rights and the role of outside directors).

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Mr. Weiss served as co-chair of the American Bar Association's Litigation Section Class and Derivative Action Committee. He served on that Section's special Federal Rule 23 Revision Study Committee and for six years on the Committee on Corporate Laws of the Corporation and Banking Section. He is the author of "Tender Offers and Management Responsibility," 23 N.Y. L. Rev. 445 (1978), and has authored course materials for the Practising Law Institute's seminars on "Class Actions," "Accountants' Liability," "New Trends in Securities Litigation," "Counseling the Accountant" and prosecuting insurance policyholder litigation. He has lectured throughout the country and Canada in forums conducted by the Practising Law Institute and other institutes and as guest lecturer at New York University School of Law, Hofstra University in New York, Duke Law School and at the Salzburg seminars. He has addressed several accounting associations such as the New York State Society of C.P.A.'s, the National Association of Accountants and National Association of Internal Auditors. He has participated as a panelist in programs for the North American Association of State Securities Administrators and has been frequently quoted as a leading authority on shareholder and consumer rights in the national media. Mr. Weiss is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. Mr. Weiss is a trustee of N.Y.U. School of Law and the recipient of its Vanderbilt Medal awarded annually to an outstanding alumni. He has also testified before congressional committees on securities litigation and accountants' liability.

Mr. Weiss's expertise has been recognized on numerous occasions by courts which have appointed him to positions of control in complex litigations. Among the more prominent of these are the Drexel/Milken litigations, in which he recovered over \$1 billion for investors

in Columbia Savings and Loan, and policyholders in Executive Life Insurance Company of America, and others; In re Washington Public Power Supply System Sec. Litigation, MDL 551 (D. Ariz.), in which Mr. Weiss was one of three court-appointed lead counsel for a class which recovered \$775 million; In re U.S. Financial Securities Litigation, MDL 161 (S.D. Cal.), in which he was chairman of Plaintiffs' Steering Committee in a consolidated action that settled for over \$50 million; In re Itel Sec. Litig. (N.D. Cal.), where he acted as co-lead counsel in a consolidated securities action that settled for \$40 million; In re Chase Manhattan Bank Stockholders Litigation (N.Y. Supreme Court), where he was co-lead counsel and a derivative settlement for \$32.5 million was achieved; Prudential Limited Partnership litigation (recovered \$110 million); Mercedes Tire Defect litigation (recovered \$100 million); New York Life Insurance Policy holder litigation (recovered \$300+ million); and Prudential Life Insurance Policyholder litigation (recovered \$4 billion).

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He has served as plaintiff's liaison counsel in *In re Baldwin United Corporation Litigation*, M.D.L. No. 581, before Judge Brieant in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and in such capacity was the prime negotiator of a series of settlements aggregating more than \$220 million, the largest federal securities class action settlement recorded at that time. Subsequently, he has led plaintiffs' counsel in a wide ranging selection of cases arising out of the Federal Securities laws as well as Anti Trust and Consumer laws. He has actively negotiated more than 100 complex class action settlements in the areas of securities law, anti trust and consumer rights, including acting as prime negotia-

tor and achieving a \$1.07 billion settlement in *In re Nasdaq Market Makers Antitrust Litigation*, M.D.L. No.1023, at that time the largest antitrust class action settlement. He has recently acted as class lead counsel in the *Rite Aid Shareholder Litigation* (settled in 2003 for approximately \$300,000,000) and the *Lucent Shareholder Litigation* (agreement to settle for approximately \$517,000,000).

A regular panelist on securities law matters for the Practising Law Institute, American Bar Association, American Conference Institute, Glasser Legal Works, and American Law Institute-American Bar Association. Mr. Bershad lectures on the topics of complex litigation, federal securities law, class actions and financial derivatives. He has contributed the plaintiffs' view in a book, *Securities Class Actions: Abuses and Remedies*, published by the National Legal Center for the Public Interest, and has debated the plaintiffs' view of the world before the Federalist Society. He has also appeared as a legal expert on CNBC and CNN regarding significant business related public interest issues. Mr. Bershad was recently profiled in Fortune magazine's feature story for his leading role in the Lucent Technologies Shareholder case.

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Since joining Milberg Weiss in 1986, Mr. Schulman has been engaged in prosecuting a wide variety of securities fraud class actions and shareholder derivative actions. He has also been actively and extensively involved in shareholder litigations arising from mergers and acquisitions, many of which were litigated in Courts of the State of Delaware. Among Mr. Schulman's significant recent cases, he served as lead trial counsel in *In re MicroStrategy, Inc. Securities Litigation* (E.D. Va.), which settled for an amount in excess of \$150 million. He has also served as lead counsel in the Disney Shareholder Litigation pending in the Delaware Court of Chancery, the *In re Nortel Networks Corporation Securities Litigation* pending in the Southern District of New York, the *In re Williams Securities Litigation* pending in the Northern District of Oklahoma and in the *In re Raytheon Securi-*

ties Litigation pending in the District of Massachusetts. He is also significantly involved in the firm's groundbreaking litigation relating to Wall Street's IPO allocation practices.

Mr. Schulman is a member of the Bars of the State of New York and the District of Columbia and is also admitted to practice before the District Court of the Southern, Northern, and Eastern Districts of New York, the Association of the Bar of the State of New York, the American Bar Association, and the Federal Bar Council. A member of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, Mr. Schulman served on its Special Committee on Mergers, Acquisitions and Corporate Control Contests. He is a Presidential level member of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA) and a Sustaining Fellow in the Roscoe Pound Institute.

Mr. Schulman frequently lectures and participates in professional education panels, some of which include: Civil Practice And Litigation Techniques In Federal And State Courts, organized by ALI-ABA Committee on Continuing Professional Education (11/16-18/00); Key Issues Facing Boards Of Directors: The Coming Tide in Securities Class Actions, organized by AIG, Freeborn & Peters, Milberg Weiss and the National Economic Research Associates (02/22/01); Leveraged Buyouts & Other Private Equity Investments, organized by City Bar Center for CLE - Association of the Bar of the City of New York (09/24/01); The 33rd Annual Institute on Securities Regulations, organized by Practising Law Institute (11/7/01); Evolution of the Derivative Lawsuit, organized by Professional Liability Underwriting Society (02/06/02); Sarbanes-Oxley Act: Impact on Civil Litigation under the Federal Securities Laws, organized by ALI-ABA Committee on Continuing Professional Education (12/5/02); Corporate Governance and Disclosure, organized by Corporate Communications Broadcast Network (3/20/03); and Seventh Circuit Judicial Conference Corporate Governance Roundtable, organized by The Seventh Circuit Bar Association (05/05/03); The 35th Annual Institute on Securities Regulations, organized by Practising Law Institute (11/8/03); Life and Health Insurance and Financial Services Litigation: Fallout From "Canary", organized by ALI-ABA Committee on Continuing Professional Education (05/06/04). In addition, Mr. Schulman has co-authored several publications on the subject of securities and shareholder litigation: Leveraged Buyouts – Issues From The Shareholder Plaintiffs' Perspective, (09/01 NY, NY); Developments In Private Securities Litigation Standards And Other Significant Case Law Developments (11/01 NY, NY); Duties and Liabilities of Outside Directors To Ensure That Adequate Information And Control Systems Are In Place – A Study In Delaware Law And The Private Se-

curities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (02/02 NY, NY); Sarbanes-Oxley Act: The Impact on Civil Litigation under the Federal Securities Laws from The Plaintiffs' Perspective (12/5/02, NY, NY); The Plaintiff's Perspective On Shareholder Class and Derivative Actions Alleging Breach of Fiduciary Duty (3/12/03, NY, NY); Cutting Edge Issues In the New Millennium: Corporate Governance and the Courts - The Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the Impact on Civil Litigation under the Federal Securities Laws from The Plaintiffs' Perspective (5/5/03, Milwaukee, WI); Fallout From "Canary": Private Civil Litigation and Legal Remedies Beyond Regulatory Measures (5/6/04, Washington D.C.).

SOL SCHREIBER received a Bachelor of Arts degree, *cum laude*, in 1952 from the City College of New York, and his LL.B. from Yale Law School in 1955. He is admitted to the bar of the State of New York, to the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York and to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

From 1971 through 1978, Mr. Schreiber was a United States Magistrate Judge in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York where he conducted more than 1,500 criminal and 3,500 civil pre-trial hearings and settled approximately 1,000 civil cases. In addition to trying numerous civil and criminal cases, Mr. Schreiber supervised pretrial practice in derivative, class and complex actions in the admiralty, antitrust, aviation, securities, directors' and officers' and product liability fields, including *Berkey v. Kodak*, *Litton v. ATT*, the Penn Central Commercial Paper litigation, the New York Times and Readers' Digest gender discrimination, the Argo Merchant-Nantucket stranding, and the Tenerife 747 collision cases.

From November 1978 to January 1982, when he joined Milberg Weiss, Mr. Schreiber served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of a unit of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York which provided centralized legal, risk management and insurance services for the Federation's hospitals, homes for the aged, and health, education and community service agencies. He was Trial Counsel from 1955 through 1971 and Resident Counsel from 1966 through 1971 of the Brooklyn office of Liberty Mutual Insurance Co.

Mr. Schreiber has been a participant in numerous special project committees for the American Bar Association and the Second Circuit. From 1960 to present, Mr. Schreiber has been the Planning and Program Chairman of more than 125 national programs the ALI-ABA and PLI Continuing Professional Education national courses of study on evidence, civil practice and employment discrimination litigation in federal and state courts. He has been a frequent lecturer at professional

programs and workshops on federal and state court civil procedure, federal and state court trial evidence and federal criminal practice and procedure. Mr. Schreiber was Reporter, ABA Advocacy Task Force (1970-1971), which led to the formation of the National Institute for Trial Advocacy.

From 1972 to 1987, he served as an Adjunct Professor at Fordham Law School teaching courses in trial advocacy, product liability, mass torts and insurance disputes. He has been editor for more than 40 CLE course handbooks and major publications on civil practice and litigation, including ALI-ABA's three-volume Civil Practice Guide, *Litigation in Federal and State Courts* (8th ed. 1998). Mr. Schreiber is a Member, Board of Editors, *Moore's Federal Practice* (2d ed.).

Presently, Mr. Schreiber is Court-Appointed Special Master in Marcos Human Rights Litigation. He was Special Master in the Pan American Lockerbie cases, the Agent Orange Litigation (March 1982-January 1984), and a series of other complex federal civil cases.

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The firm has represented companies on the New York and American Stock Exchanges as well as NASDAQ companies, taken companies public and managed secondary offerings. Mr. Bressler has specialized in corporate and securities law for over 25 years, primarily representing issuers. Mr. Bressler is the firm's representative to ACL International, an association of international law firms with members in over 40 countries. Mr. Bressler has lectured in Europe and North America on U.S. securities and corporate laws.

Since 1994, Mr. Bressler has served as a director and officer of the Israel Humanitarian Foundation, which supports social service programs in Israel. From 1990 to 1996, Mr. Bressler served as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Rodeph Sholom School, a private elementary school in New York City.

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Since joining Milberg Weiss in 1984, Mr. Dumain has represented plaintiffs in cases involving securities fraud, consumer fraud, insurance fraud and violations of the antitrust laws. He has lectured for ALI-ABA concerning accountants' liability and has prosecuted several actions against accounting firms.

During 1990, Mr. Dumain served on the trial team for a six-month trial in which the firm represented the City of San Jose, California, that resulted in a verdict for the City against defendants totaling over \$18 million plus pre-judgment interest. The City's claims against two of the defendants were settled for \$12 million while appeals to the Ninth Circuit were pending. Previously, settlements with eleven other defendants totaled over \$12 million.

Judge Janet C. Hall of the District of Connecticut made the following comment in In re: Fine Host Securities Litigation, (Docket No. 3:97-CV-2619 (JCH)): "The court also finds that the plaintiff class received excellent counseling, particularly from the Chair of the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee, Attorney Dumain."

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Mr. Bauer has been actively involved with all phases of class action securities litigation, commercial civil litigation, settlement administration and estate and trust administration, with Milberg Weiss since August of 1979. He is a member of the American Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association, the American Trial Lawyers Association and the New York County Lawyers Association.

Mr. Bauer has played a lead role in documenting and effectuating the settlements in numerous complex securities litigations including *In re NASDAQ Market-Makers Antitrust Litigation*, MDL 1023, *In re Drexel Burnham Lambert Group*, 90 Civ. 6954(MP)(S.D.N.Y.), *In re Michael Milken & Associates Sec. Litig.*, M.D.L. 924, and *In re Prudential Securities Inc. Limited Partnerships Sec. Litig.*, M.D.L. 1005, and *In re PaineWebber Limited Partnership Litigation*, Master File No. 94 - Civ. 8547(SHS) (S.D.N.Y.).

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After graduation, he served as law clerk to Judge Charles P. Sifton of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York. Following his clerkship, Mr. Weprin was associated with the law firm of Wachtell Lipton Rosen & Katz where he specialized in commercial and securities litigation. From 1985 to 1989 he served as general counsel to the New York State Housing Finance Agency and the New York State Medical Care Facilities Finance Agency, two agencies that issue tax exempt bonds for financing nonprofit medical facilities and qualified housing projects.

Since joining Milberg Weiss in 1989, he has specialized in securities and insurance litigation. Mr. Weprin has served as co-lead counsel in a number of complex

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In approving the settlement in the Allstar Inns case, Judge Peter Leisure stated:

We have a situation here which is a classic example of the benefits to be derived through the class action vehicle, to have the high quality representation of the class. The reputation of counsel . . . Barry Weprin of Milberg Weiss, precedes them to this court and I'm familiar in other matters with the case in which these lawyers work.

The class was indeed fortunate to have lawyers of this caliber on this matter and the court is satisfied that the class was well-represented and had the benefits of the quality of representation that would not have otherwise been available if the class action vehicle had not been used.

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CV-97-281-TUC-JC (JMR), 1999 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 22784, (D. Ariz. July 23, 1999); Siemer v. Assocs. First Capital Corp, No. CV 97-281 TUC JMR (JCC), 2001 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 12810 (D. Ariz. Mar. 30, 2001); Siemer v. Assocs. First Capital Corp., No. CV 97-281-TUC-JC (JMR), 2000 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 21244, (D. Ariz. Dec. 14, 2000). He was a guest lecturer on predatory lending at the annual meetings of the NAACP in July 2001 and July 2002.

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Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Coates was a named partner in a national securities law firm in which he handled a variety of securities fraud litigation, derivative, and consumer class actions. Prior to that time, he was also a partner in the national law firm of Proskauer Rose LLP, where he spent approximately ten years heading Proskauer's Florida Litigation and Dispute Resolution Department. While at Proskauer, Mr. Coates defended complex securities class actions, including, among others, cases such as the highly publicized *In re Sunbeam Securities Litigation*, (U.S.D.C., S.D. Fla.) Case No. 98-8258 Civ Middlebrooks, where he was the lead attorney representing the former general counsel of Sunbeam, and *In re Brothers Gourmet, Inc. Securities Litigation*, (U.S.D.C., S.D. Fla.) Case No. 95-8584-Civ-Ryskamp, where he was the lead attorney in defending the company and its officers and directors in a case involving claims under Sections 11, 12(2), and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933 and Sections 10(b) and 20 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Mr. Coates is presently serving as lead or co-lead counsel in numerous federal class action securities cases, including, *In re Hamilton Bank Securities Litigation*, Case No. 01-0420-Civ-Gold (S.D.Fla.) (co-lead); *Mark L. Underwood, et al. v. Concord Camera Corp., et al.*, Case No. 02-21154-Civ-Huck (S.D.Fla.) (co-lead); *In re UniCapital Corporation Securities Litigation*, Case No. 00-2054-Civ-Highsmith (S.D. Fla.) (lead); *Craig Imler v. AES Corporation, et al.*, Case No. 1:03-CV-00194-LJM-WTL (S.D. Ind.) (co-lead); and, *In re Amdocs Securities Litigation*, Case No. 4:02-CV-00950-JCH (E.D. Mo.) (co-lead).

Mr. Coates' professional affiliations include membership in the American, Florida, Georgia, Palm Beach County, and South Palm Beach County Bar Associations. He is also a member of the United States District Courts, Southern, Middle and Northern Districts of Florida, the Northern District of Georgia, and the Eleventh Circuit and Federal Circuit Court of Appeals. Mr. Coates is very active on civic and philanthropic matters and is presently serving on the Board of Directors for the South Palm Beach County Bar Association, the Palm Beach County Legal Aid Society, Inc., and Okeehelie Youth Baseball, Inc.

LORI G. FELDMAN, a member of the firm, protects the rights of shareholders in federal and state courts across the nation. She is admitted to the Bars of the States of Washington and New York and her daily responsibilities include managing the firm's Seattle practice.

Ms. Feldman was recently named a "Rising Star of Washington Law" by her fellow practitioners in Seattle. Rising Stars are considered to be Washington's top young lawyers.

In addition to lecturing frequently on class action practice, she now serves as Co-Chair of the Continuing Legal Education Committee of The Federal Bar Association of the Western District of Washington.

Ms. Feldman is currently representing shareholders in litigation involving, among others, Amazon.com (W.D. Wash.), SpectraLink Corporation (D. Colo.), ConAgra Foods (D. Neb.), Rhythms Net Connections (D. Colo.), and Gilead Sciences, Inc. (N.D. Cal.), and Paradigm Medical (D. Utah). She recently assisted in recovering millions of dollars for class members in litigation involving Cutter & Buck (W.D. Wash.), InaCom (D. Del.), Secure Computing (N.D. Cal.) and Micro Focus (N.D. Cal.).

She graduated with high honors from Albany Law School of Union University, where she served as an Editor of the *Albany Law Review*. Ms. Feldman attended the State University of New York at Albany, where she graduated *magna cum laude*.

JEFF S. WESTERMAN received his B.A. degree from Northwestern University in 1977, where he was selected to two senior honorary societies. He received his Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1980, where he was a member of Law Review from 1978 to 1980. He is admitted to practice in the courts of the State of California, as well as the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the United State Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and the United States Supreme Court.

Mr. Westerman is an ex-officio member, and was a member (2001-2003) and Co-Chair (2002-2003) of the Central District of California Attorney Delegation to the United States Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference. He was appointed to the Central District of California, U.S. Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel in 2003 and the standing committee on Attorney Discipline in 2004. He is also a member of the Central District of California Attorney Settlement Officer Panel (1998-).

He is a member of the Los Angeles County and Federal Bar Associations; the State Bar of California. He

was on the California State Bar Task Force on Complex Litigation, and Chair of the Judicial Education Subcommittee (1997). Over the years, Mr. Westerman has been active in the Association of Business Trial Lawyers where he served on the Board of Governors (1997-2001), as Treasurer (2001), Secretary (2002-2003) and Vice President (2003-). He was recently invited to join the Board of Governors of the Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles (2003-).

Mr. Westerman is also a member of the Los Angeles County Bar Complex Courts Bench-Bar Committee, and the Bench-Bar Civil Courts Committee; and has served as Judge Pro Tem in the Los Angeles Small Claims Court in 1987-1988, 1990, 1992-1993 and 1996-1997.

Mr Westerman's practice is primarily in the areas of securities fraud class actions, shareholder derivative actions and corporate mergers and acquisition litigation. He served as lead or co-lead counsel in cases resulting in significant corporate governance changes and shareholder recoveries totaling more than \$330 million.

Mr. Westerman has also been the moderator or speaker for programs on developments in class action practice, settlements, the Sarbanes-Oxley Corporate Responsibility Act, shareholder derivative actions and trends in business litigation.

KATHERINE L. BLANCK born Columbia, Missouri, January 27, 1965. In 1990, Ms. Blanck was admitted to the California bar. She received her B.J. degree from the University of Missouri, cum laude, in 1987 and her J.D. from the University of San Diego in 1990. She was a member (1988-1990) and Associate Editor (1989-1990) of the San Diego Law Review. Ms. Blanck clerked for the Honorable James R. Milliken, San Diego Superior Court, in 1990. She is the author of "Restricting the Use of Sound-Alikes in Commercial Speech," 26 San Diego Law Review 911 (1990). Ms. Blanck is a member of the Orange County and American Bar Associations and the American Business Trial Lawyers Association.

OF COUNSEL

PATRICIA M. HYNES is a trial lawyer and retains her "Of Counsel" status to the firm once known as Milberg Weiss Bershad Hynes & Lerach LLP. Ms. Hynes is continuing her long and distinguished association with the newly named Milberg Weiss Bershad & Schulman LLP, where she specializes in complex securities and commercial litigation. She received her law degree from Fordham Law School where she was a member of the Law Review. Ms. Hynes served as law clerk to Joseph C. Zavatt, Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York, and was an Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of New York from 1967 to 1982 where she held several executive positions, including Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney.

A Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, Ms. Hynes has taught Trial Advocacy at Harvard Law School, Fordham Law School and the National Institute of Trial Advocacy. Ms. Hynes is a member of the American Law Institute and has served on the Advisory Committee to the Federal Judicial Code Revision Project from 1996 to 2001. Ms. Hynes has been a lecturer for

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Ms. Hynes has been included in the list of Best Lawyers in America since 1993 and more recently has been included in Who's Who in American Law and the Euro-money Guide to the World's Leading Litigation Lawyers. Ms. Hynes has also been included in The National Law Journal's Profile of America's Top 50 Women Litigators (December 17, 2001) and its Survey of The Fifty Most Influential Women Lawyers in America (March 30, 1998).

Ms. Hynes served as Chair of the American Bar Association's Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary from July 2000 to August 2001, having previously served as the Second Circuit Representative on that Committee from 1995 to June 2000. Ms. Hynes served as a member of the ABA's Commission on the 21st Century Judiciary (2002-2003). Ms. Hynes has also served as a member of the ABA's Litigation Section Council (1989-1992) and was Chair of the Litigation Section's Securities Litigation Committee (1987-1989); Co-Chair of its Pre-Trial Practice and Discovery Committee (1992-1994) and has served as a member of the Litiga-

tion Section's Task Force on Civil Trial Practice Standards. Ms. Hynes also is a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation.

An active member of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, Ms. Hynes served as Chair of its Federal Courts Committee from 1992 to 1995 and was a member of its Executive Committee from 1984 to 1988. From 1982 to 1984, Ms. Hynes served as Secretary of that organization. Ms. Hynes has also served as a Vice President of the Federal Bar Council from 1996 to 2002 and previously served on its Board of Trustees from 1983 to 1991.

Presently, Ms. Hynes chairs the Merit Selection Panel for Magistrate Judges for the Southern District of New York and since December, 2003, has been Chair of the Board of Directors of The Legal Aid Society. Ms. Hynes also has served as a member of the Planning and Program Committee for the Judicial Conference of the Second Circuit from 1998 to 2001. Ms. Hynes presently serves on the Second Circuit Court of Appeals Rules Committee. From 1994 through 2001, Ms. Hynes served as a member of the Mayor's (Giuliani) Advisory Committee on the Judiciary.

In July of 2002, Ms. Hynes was appointed a member of the New York City Charter Revision Commission by Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg. In March, 2002, Ms. Hynes was appointed a member of the Administrative Board for the Offices of the Public Administrator by Chief Administrative Judge Jonathan L. Lippman. In February, 2000, Ms. Hynes was appointed a member of the New York State Commission on Fiduciary Appointments by Chief Judge Judith S. Kaye of the New York Court of Appeals. From 1987 to 1990, Ms. Hynes served as a member of the New York State Commission on Government Integrity having been appointed by Governor Mario Cuomo and from 1981 to 1982 was a member of the New York State Executive Advisory Committee on the Administration of Justice having been appointed by Governor Hugh L. Carey.

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Ms. Hynes was lead trial counsel for the City of San Jose in a six-month jury trial in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California against thirteen brokerage firms and an accounting firm involving losses to the City as a result of speculative, leveraged bond trading. The jury returned a verdict in favor of the City of San Jose. Ms. Hynes also served as one of the lead plaintiffs' counsel in the settlement reached in the Drexel Bankruptcy and the \$1.3 billion settlement reached with Michael Milken and others.

Ms. Hynes is and has been co-lead counsel in several class actions including: In re Oxford Health Plans, Inc. Securities Litigation, M.D.L. Dkt. No. 1222 (CLB)

(S.D.N.Y.); In re DonnKenny Inc. Securities Litigation, 96 Civ. 8452 (MGC) (S.D.N.Y.); Duncan, et al. v. Pencer, et al., 94 Civ. 0321 (LAP) (S.D.N.Y.); In re MTC Electronics Technologies Shareholder Litigation, CV-93-0876 (JG) (E.D.N.Y.); In re Salomon Inc. Shareholders' Derivative Litigation, 91 Civ. 5500 (RPP) (S.D.N.Y.); In re United Telecommunications, Inc. Securities Litigation, Civ. No. 90-2252-0 (D. Kan.); In re Lilco Securities Litigation, 84 Civ. 0588 (LDW) (E.D.N.Y.); In re Dasonics Securities Litigation, C-83-4584-RFP (FW) (N.D.Cal.); and In re Pepsico Securities Litigation, No. 82 Civ. 8403 (ADS) (S.D.N.Y.).

JARED SPECTHRIE graduated from Harvard College with honors in 1954 having majored in Economics. After four years as a deck officer in the United States Coast Guard, he received a Master of Business Administration degree in Accounting from Rutgers University in 1959, graduating first in his class. He is a Certified Public Accountant in the State of New York and practiced accounting for several years with a major auditing firm. He was graduated from New York Law School in 1965, *summa cum laude*, where he was first in his class and valedictorian. He was admitted to the Bar in New York State in 1965, and is admitted to practice before the U.S. District Court in the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, and the United States Courts of Appeals for the Second and Fifth Circuits. He has served on the faculty of New York Law School, and has lectured on "Accountants' Liability" for the Practising Law Institute. He has been engaged in the full-time practice of law since 1965 and has specialized in federal securities law litigation for the past several years. Mr. Specthrie was lead counsel in In re Viatron, MDL 138 (D. Mass.), where aggregate settlements exceeding \$15 million were obtained after several months of trial and a jury verdict on liability.

RICHARD M. MEYER is a graduate of Yale University and a 1958 graduate of Yale Law School, where he was a member of the Board of Editors of the Yale Law Journal. Mr. Meyer served as a trial attorney in the United States Department of Justice for two years and as Special Counsel to the Securities and Exchange Commission for four years. He was a partner with the firm of Pomerantz Levy Haudek & Block from 1970 to April 1980, when he joined Milberg Weiss.

Mr. Meyer is the author and co-author of several law review articles, including "The Social Utility of Class Actions," 42 Bklyn. L. Rev. 189 (1975), and has spoken at numerous forums under the auspices of groups such as the American Bar Association, American Law Institute, Practising Law Institute, the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, the Center for the Study of Finan-

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HONORABLE GERI D. PALAST, Of Counsel to Milberg Weiss Bershad and Shulman, directs the firm's program reaching out to institutional investors in areas of litigation, policy and public affairs. Formerly, she was the Founder and Executive Director of the Justice at Stake Campaign and national organization working to ensure fair and impartial courts.. From 1993-2000, she was confirmed by the U.S. Senate to serve as Assistant Secretary of Labor for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs during President Clinton's two terms under Labor Secretaries Robert Reich and Alexis Herman. She also served on the President's Interagency Council on Women, where she chaired the Committee on Women in the Global Economy. The Committee monitored U.S. compliance with the Beijing Platform for Women. She was a member of the U.S. delegation to Women 2000 at the United Nations. Her focus was the impact of globalization on women.

Prior to joining the Clinton Administration, Palast was the Political and Legislative Director of Service Employees International Union, 1981-1993. In 1979, she established and ran the Washington Office of the National Employment Law Project, a program of the Legal Services Corporation. Earlier in her career, she worked for the National Treasury Employees Union and AFSCME (American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees).

Throughout her career, Palast has organized and directed numerous broad-based national and grassroots legislative and issue campaigns. She founded and co-chaired the bipartisan coalition that was responsible for enacting the landmark Family and Medical Leave Act. As Assistant Secretary, she was a leader in the successful policy and legislative efforts to enact the minimum wage increase, the Workforce Investment Act—the overhaul of the nation's employment and training system, Welfare to Work, School to Work, and the historic congressional ratification of the International Labor Organization (ILO) international convention against abusive child labor. She worked on numerous pension reform legislative and regulatory matters. She has also been a strategic adviser to many electoral campaigns.

Palast has served on numerous boards and advisory committees. She has lectured at colleges and universities.

She is an attorney, a Root-Tilden Public Service Law Scholar from NYU School of Law, and an honors graduate of Stanford University. She is admitted to practice in the District of Columbia, and she is an inactive member of the California State Bar.

ANITA BRASS KARTALOPOULOS works primarily in the areas of insurance, consumer fraud, securities and managed care. Before joining Milberg Weiss in 1998, she was in government service in the State of New Jersey, holding several positions including Deputy Commissioner of Insurance for Life and Health, Director of Legal Regulatory Affairs for the Department of Health and Senior Services and Executive Director of the New Jersey Real Estate Commission.

As Deputy Commissioner of Insurance she managed the New Jersey Insurance Department's Multi-State Task Force investigating the sales practices of the Prudential Insurance Company. She also served on the Board of Directors of MBL Insurance Company as a rehabilitator and managed litigation pursuant to the company's rehabilitation.

Thereafter as Director of Legal and Regulatory Affairs for the Department of Health and Senior Services, Ms. Kartalopoulos was responsible for litigation management, the development of all regulations implementing the New Jersey Healthcare statutes, the development and implementation of a stream lined Certificate of Need (CN) law, and the development of stringent prompt payment regulations to ensure that HMO's meet contractual obligations to physicians and ensure the stability of the health care network for the benefit of consumers.

As Executive Director of The New Jersey State Real Estate Commission, Ms. Kartalopoulos was responsible for implementing consumer disclosure/protection regulations which had been long opposed by the New Jersey real estate industry. She was also responsible for all disciplinary investigations and hearings against realtors, the inspection and registration of out of state land sales marketed in the State of New Jersey, continuing licensing of 84,000 realtors and brokers and the on-going development of real estate regulations. Ms. Kartalopoulos also worked with New Jersey Attorney General Deborah Poritz in the development of Megan's Law.

Prior to government service, Ms. Kartalopoulos specialized in local government law and land use representing a number of municipal governments, Planning Boards and Boards of Adjustment. She was responsible for litigation before both the State and Federal Courts, and negotiated significant settlements with the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) for the benefit of low income residents of the State.

Ms. Kartalopoulos graduated from the University of Toledo, with honors in 1974, majoring in Classics, and graduated from Seton Hall Law School in 1982, with emphasis on health care law. She was admitted to the bar of New Jersey and the U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey, the same year. She is also admitted to the

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DAVID K. BERGMAN graduated with a B.A. in American Studies from Brandeis University in 1986. He earned a J.D. from Brooklyn Law School in 1989. Thereafter he spent six years as a partner in the law firm of Siller Wilk LLP, where he served as chief complex claims counsel for the New York State Bar in high exposure cases against lawyers and law firms all across New York State. Mr. Bergman lectured on issues relating to professional responsibility and legal ethics, and served as Chairman of the Subcommittee in the New York County Lawyers Association which submitted proposed ethical rules to the New York Appellate Division.

Prior to joining Milberg Weiss, Mr. Bergman was a principal in Frydman & Bergman, where he represented investors in arbitration against broker/dealers, and engaged in prosecuting as lead and co-lead counsel a variety of securities fraud class actions and shareholder derivative actions. Mr. Bergman also served as an appellate advocate for numerous law firms, in both New York State and the United States Court of Appeals. He is admitted to practice in all Federal and State Courts in New York.

REUBEN A. GUTTMAN graduated from the University of Rochester in 1981 where he received a BA in history. He graduated from Emory University Law School in 1985 where he received a JD. Mr. Guttman is admitted to practice law in Georgia (admitted in 1985), the District of Columbia (admitted in 1988), Pennsylvania (admitted in 1991) and New Jersey (admitted in 1991).

Mr. Guttman's practice involves complex litigation and class actions. He has represented clients in claims brought under the Federal False Claims Act, the Price Anderson Act, Department of Energy (DOE) statutes and regulations, securities laws, the WARN Act, RICO, and various employment discrimination, labor and environmental statutes. He has also litigated claims involving fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, antitrust, business interference, and other common law torts.

Mr. Guttman has been counsel in cases generating some of the largest recoveries under the Federal False Claims Act including U.S. ex rel Johnson where over \$300 million was recovered from the oil industry. He also served as lead counsel in a series of cases which resulted in the recovery of more than \$30 million under the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act. Litigation brought by Mr. Guttman on behalf of Nuclear Weapons Workers at "Manhattan Project" nuclear weapons sites resulted in

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Mr. Guttman's publications include: "The False Claims Act: Holding Employers Accountable For Workplace Rights" (co-author, Employee Rights Quarterly, Aspen, Fall 2000); "The Dormant Commerce Clause and Interstate Transportation of Waste," University of Pennsylvania, Journal of Resource Management and Technology, June 1993; "Impact of OSHA Blood-borne Disease Rule," Medical Waste, Vol. 1, No. 1, Oct. 1992; "Supreme Court Holdings Benefit Landfill and Incinerator Operators," Medical Waste, Vol. 1, No. 3, Dec. 1992; "Supreme Court Upholds Preemptive Powers of OSH Act," Medical Waste, Vol. 1, No. 4, Jan. 1993; "EPA Dialogue May Result in Rules for Commercial Buildings," 2 Nat'l Journal of Asbestos in Buildings Litigation, 13, 1989; "The Asbestos Model: Labor and Citizens Groups and a Multi-Pronged Approach to Regulatory Change," paper first presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, Ill., Sept. 1, 1987; published as a chapter in Conflict Resolution and Public Policy, edited by Miriam K. Mills, Greenwood-Quorum Press, October 1990; "At Issue: Should Congress Pass Legislation That Would Extend The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act To All Public and Commercial Buildings," Congressional Quarterly's Editorial Research Reports, Vol. 1, No. 9, 1990; "Representation Campaigns and the Future of Labor: a Legal and Theoretical Perspective," paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Ill., April 4, 1988. Consulting Editor: The Regulatory Analyst: Medical Waste, a monthly publication, Warren Gorham Lamont, New York, N.Y., 1992-1994. Chapter Author and Advisory Board Member, "Environmental Management in Healthcare Facilities," W.B. Saunders Company, April 1998.

Mr. Guttman has appeared on ABC National News and CNN, and has been quoted in major publications, including the Wall Street Journal and national wire services.

In addition to his writings, Mr. Guttman has testified on environmental issues before committees of the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate, and in 1992 advised President-elect Clinton's transition team on labor policy. He has been an invited speaker on privatization and procurement issues at conferences sponsored by the United States Department of Energy (Oakland, California, 1997; Denver, Colorado, 1995). He was also invited to speak on employment discrimination by the Houston Regional Office of the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) at its Fall, 1997 Technical Conference in Beaumont, Texas. He has guest lectured at Swarthmore

College, the University of Pennsylvania, Johns Hopkins University, and The George Washington University.

Mr. Guttman is a founding member of the American Trial Lawyers Association (ATLA) Qui Tam Litigation Committee and was a featured speaker on the False

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SPECIAL COUNSEL

MITCHELL M. BREIT is Special Counsel to Milberg Weiss. He comes to the firm from Weitz & Luxenberg, where he was class co counsel and court appointed depository custodian in groundwater contamination litigation in the Southern District of New York involving the gasoline additive MTBE. He also served as class co counsel in MTBE litigation on behalf of private well owners in Illinois state court and he represented the County of Suffolk, New York and the Suffolk County Water Authority in their claims against the petroleum industry for MTBE contamination. Mr. Breit was also co counsel in union health and welfare fund tobacco litigation, which included multiple class actions in numerous jurisdictions. He was recently appointed as co-liaison counsel in cases involving the pharmaceutical product Serzone consolidated in New York Supreme Court.

Mr. Breit was formerly associated with Schoeman, Marsh & Updike in New York where his practice was devoted primarily to defending the firm's many institutional clients in products liability actions. He is admitted in New York, New Jersey and Virginia and the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, the District of New Jersey, the Eastern District of Virginia and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. He is a member of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, where he served on the Art Law Committee and Committee on State Courts of Superior Jurisdiction, the Association of Trial Lawyers of America and the New York State Trial Lawyers Association. Mr. Breit graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1972 and received his J.D. from Southwestern University School of Law in Los Angeles in 1979.

Mr. Breit has been a frequent panelist at Mealey's MTBE Litigation conferences around the country and was most recently co chair of the Mealey's Toxic Torts Conference in Boston.

JAMES M. SHAUGHNESSY graduated *cum laude* from Adelphi University in 1967 with a B.A. in Political Science and *cum laude* from New York University School of Law in 1969. While at N.Y.U., Mr. Shaughnessy was elected to the Order of the Coif, was the Administrative Director of the moot court program, and, upon graduation, received the Benjamin F. Butler Award for scholarship and outstanding service to the law school.

Mr. Shaughnessy joined the firm of Casey, Lane & Mittendorf in New York City as a litigation associate in 1969 and became a litigation partner at that firm in 1976. In 1982, Mr. Shaughnessy joined the firm of Haythe & Curley as a litigation partner, and he was the managing partner of the firm for two years. In 1987, Mr. Shaughnessy joined the firm of Windels, Marx, Davies & Ives (now known as Windels, Marx, Lane & Mittendorf, LLP) as a litigation partner. He was the chairman of the Windels, Marx Litigation Department from 1988 through 1998, and was a member of the firm's Executive committee from 1990 to 1992. Mr. Shaughnessy joined Milberg Weiss in 2001.

Over the course of his career, Mr. Shaughnessy has specialized in commercial, securities, insurance, aviation and bankruptcy litigation. Mr. Shaughnessy was lead defense counsel for Pan American World Airways, Inc. in *In re Air Disaster at Lockerbie, Scotland* on December 21, 1988, M.D.L. 799 (TCP) (E.D.N.Y.), and tried that case on behalf of Pan Am to a jury for three months.

Mr. Shaughnessy is admitted to practice in New York, California and New Jersey as well as before the United States Supreme Court, the United States Courts of Appeals for the Second, Fifth and Ninth Circuits, the United States District Courts for the Southern, Eastern, Northern and Western Districts of New York, the Southern District of California and the District of New Jersey, and the United States Tax Court. He is a member of the American Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association, the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, and Federal Bar Council.

ASSOCIATES

DANIEL ALTMAN graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1992, Phi Beta Kappa, *magna cum laude*. He received his J.D. from Columbia Law School in 1995, where he was a Stone Scholar, and a member of the Human Rights Law Review. Prior to joining Milberg Weiss, Mr. Altman worked as an associate at Dewey Ballantine, concentrating in the areas of commercial litigation and antitrust, and following that, at Swidler Berlin Shereff Friedman, specializing in commercial litigation and white collar crime. Mr. Altman is admitted to practice in the Courts of the State of New York as well as the United States District Court for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

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ELIZABETH A. BERNEY graduated with honors from Cornell University in 1975 with a Bachelor of Science in Industrial and Labor Relations. She received her J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School in 1978, at age 22. As an undergraduate, she served as concert mistress of the Cornell Symphony Orchestra, and while in law school, was a violinist with the Chicago Civic Orchestra. Upon graduation, she worked from 1978-1982 as an associate at Dewey Ballantine in the tax and municipal bonds fields, and among other things, obtained the tax exemption rulings for the bonds that financed construction of the Intrepid Museum, and spoke on television regarding municipal bond issues. She subsequently worked as in-house counsel at Queens College (CUNY); as a litigation associate at Gilbert, Segall and Young (which is now part of Holland & Knight) specializing in representing foreign government entities in sovereign immunities cases, and in her own legal and literary practice. She was involved in the Holocaust assets litigation against German and Swiss banks; negotiated computer software agreements for large software manu-

facturers; and represented notables such as Marcel Marceau, the Upton Sinclair estate, the author of the controversial book "Son of Sam," and the Poetry Society of America in publishing matters. She also appeared on a German television documentary, and served as a speaker/panelist for the Women's National Book Association.

Ms. Berney joined Milberg Weiss in the spring of 2000 as a senior associate. She is an active member of the firm's litigation teams for a variety of consumer and securities cases, including Firestone Tire / Ford Explorer, Enron, and Xerox. Ms. Berney is admitted to practice in the State of New York, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the United States Supreme Court, the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, the United States Tax Court, and the United States Court of Claims. She is a member of the Federal Bar Council and is a first violinist in the New York City Bar Association Orchestra.

BRUCE D. BERNSTEIN graduated from the University of Vermont in 1994 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. In 1997, he earned his J.D. from The George Washington University Law School. Mr. Bernstein is admitted to the New York State Bar and is admitted to practice before the United States District Courts for the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York. He is a member of the New York County Lawyers Association and the American Bar Association.

WAI Y. CHAN graduated from Duke University in 1987 with a B.A. in Economics and History. He received his J.D. from Brooklyn Law School in 1994. Mr. Chan is admitted to practice in the courts of the State of New York and the State of New Jersey.

LISA L. COGAN earned her undergraduate degree in liberal arts from Xavier University (B.A., 1996). She earned her law degree from Salmon P. Chase College of Law (J.D., 2000). Ms. Cogan was admitted to the bar in the State of Kentucky in 2001 and is admitted to practice in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky. She was also admitted to the bar of the State of New Jersey in 2003 and is admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey.

JENNIFER S. CZEISLER graduated from Hofstra University in 1994 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology. After completing graduate degree work at Hunter School of Social Work (1994-95), she pursued a law degree, which she earned in 1999 from the University of Miami School of Law where she graduated *cum*

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